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The G-men Mop Up On Gangsters—

Big time crime in America seems about washed out.

Capture of William Mahan in San Francisco last week had about it a decisive finality that was somehow historic. You could almost see the federal agents placing a wreath on a tombstone over the grave of a dead era.

Karpis, Campbell, and then Mahan, all within a few days. None of them shot it out, in spite of previous boasts that they'd not be taken alive. They seemed weary, hopeless, done in. And done in with them, now, is the vicious era of Capone, Dillinger, "Pretty Boy" Floyd and "Baby Face" Nelson, of blazing machine guns, bold jail raids and mass slaughter.

It is surprising that the United States was so long in learning that nothing less than a strong federal force could whip the gangsters, racketeers and kidnappers. But once the G-men were put on the job with adequate arms and organization, they carried through relentlessly.

Famed Scotland Yard or the French Surete National have never undertaken anything half so sweeping, and it is doubtful they could have done better, or even as well.

The big time crime era has been a dark page in America's history, and the whole world has looked on amazed that such lawlessness could exist in a civilized country. Probably it shall not, again, anywhere. And for this America breathes thanks.

Can Congress Make It by June 1, ?—

Can congress make it? June 1 or bust is their slogan. Yet last week they still had nine laws to go before adjournment. The nine "musts" include eight appropriation bills among which the biggest item is relief, plus the much discussed corporations tax legislation. In other words, it will probably be "bust" for their plan to go home so soon. June 15 sounds more like it, and it's not improbable the tail end of the session will overlap the republican national convention. Incidentally, last week saw the culmination of a four-year fight to get appropriations for the war department's airplane supply depot at Sacramento. The deficiency bill authorizes $7,000,000 for this purpose. The depot will be the central supply and overhaul station for all war planes operating in the coast area.

Capone Wants to Leave Alcatraz—

"Scarface" Al Capone doesn't like it very well out there on Alcatraz Island. They treat a man as though he were a nobody. The other day a couple of lawyers who knew Al felt about it thought they had discovered a way to free him. It all hinges on the difference between a "the" and an "a" in the law. Capone's case originally was handled by a grand jury whose term had been extended by "a" district judge. The law, these lawyers claim, provides that such can be done only by "The" district judge. An indictment actually was defeated by six defendants recently on that basis. But in Capone's case—well, it seems a mighty small loophole for him to crawl through. Al, you know, is quite a large man.

Courts and "Twin Evils"—

Commenting on the fact that New York's highest court declared a minimum wage law for women unconstitutional but sustained the state's new housing law, the New York "Times" makes the following observation:

"Slums do not breed more crime and immortality than wages which fall below decent standards. The two are twin evils that are always together."

That paragraph is worth framing.

A 500 Per Cent Wage Increase—

In a little town in New Hampshire the people were called together in the town hall to consider a wage increase for tneir chief of police.

When a 500 per cent increase in his salary was proposed, unusually not a taxpayer objected; it was discovered later that the chief was paid the large sum of $1.00 per year.

Can you imagine the efficiency of this police force?

Montgomery Club Is Picketed By Trades Council

Pickets were stationed in front of the Montgomery club, 1422 Broadway, several days ago, by the Building Trades Council of Alameda county, when the contractor on this job refused to meet with union rules and regulations.

A bar and restaurant is under construction in the building, formerly occupied by the Venus restaurant, non-union mechanics being employed throughout.

All crafts have refused to work on the project until union laws are enforced; teamsters have refused to deliver materials to the job while pickets are stationed in front of the building.

The Montgomery club will be placed on the "We Don't Patronize" list by the trades council when completed.

BIG MOTOR PROFITS

Profits of $52,464,174 for the first quarter of 1935—the largest since 1929—were reported this week by General Motors. Sales are also soaring to a new record.

DEMAND THE UNION LABEL!

Carmen's Floor Show, Auditorium, Saturday, May 23

With 1,000 carmen and motor coach drivers on the ticket-selling "firing line," it looks now as if all of Oakland and the east bay area will be in the Oakland Municipal auditorium, Saturday night, May 23, to help the carmen celebrate "Hollywood Holiday."

"We'll turn them away at 25 cents a head," says Earl H. Mangum, secretary-treasurer of the union and general chairman in charge of the big event.

The festival of fun includes 30 and more vaudeville and specialty acts, headlining such artists as Morena and Valencia, adorable team that danced the rumba in the motion picture "Flying Down to Rio"; Gladys Kane, in original hula dances; Mary Johnson, blues singer; the Cumberland Hill Billies; Jean Chappell, Oakland, in ballet numbers.

Keen rivalry has developed among members for the honor of selling the most tickets.

O. C. Ditty, motor coach driver on the San Pablo avenue run, holds the record to date, and for his efforts was presented with a 21-jeweled watch during the week.

Art Weidner and his 20-piece orchestra will furnish the syncopated music.

Remember the date, Saturday, May 23.

Ladies' Auxiliary No. 97 Celebrates 19th Anniversary

Two hundred and fifty members and friends of Ladies' Auxiliary No. 97, International Association of Machinists, gathered at St. George's hall last Friday evening to celebrate the 19th anniversary of the auxiliary.

After the regular meeting the members gathered in the banquet room where salads, cold meats, coffee and cake were served. Many local labor leaders addressed the assemblage.

Mrs. Heim, an active member of the auxiliary, was awarded the cedar chest while many other valuable awards were given away also.

S. F. Trades Council To Ask Injunction Against Wage Board

The Journal was informed today that the Building Trades Council of San Francisco will ask an injunction against the so-called "impartial" wage board, set up by the industrial association, should this board sit to adjust the building trades wage scales.

All affiliated unions in the bay district will assist the San Francisco council, we are told, if it becomes necessary to bring about the injunction.

Local Electrical Worker Now Heads Loyal Order Moose

John Leach, member of Electrical Workers' Union No. 595, was recently elected to the office of dictator of the Loyal Order of Moose, Lodge No. 324.

Installation was held at Moose Hall last Friday evening. Leach was presented with a beautiful silver liquor set from the members of the electrical workers' union affiliated with the loyal order of moose.

Bonney of Engineers Home From Hospital

W. L. Bonney, old time member of Engineers' Union No. 507, returned to his home after spending several days in a local hospital due to injuries received in an auto accident.

Bonney fractured two ribs and was severely shaken up in front of the auditorium several weeks ago.

Government Employes Favor Five-Day Week

Officials of the American Federation of Government Employes announced that 70 per cent of its members have voted in favor of some form of five-day week. At present government employes have the five-and-on-half-day week. The poll is being taken to help the organization's administrative officers in developing a platform of objectives consistent with the sentiment of the members.

Sprinkler Fitters Sign With Fire Co.

Edward Barry, general organizer of the United Association of Journeymen Plumbers and Steamfitters of the United States and Canada, has notified all affiliated unions that the Fire Protection Engineering company, with offices in Los Angeles, Seattle and San Francisco, has signed an agreement with the international union.

Letters of agreement were signed by Curtis T. Clifford, general manager, at the main office in San Francisco, Barry stated.

The Fire Protection Engineering company is one of the major automatic sprinkler firms operating in the Pacific coast states, and for the past 17 years this firm has operated non-union.

Frozen Products Co. Is Now Union

Teamsters reported to the Journal today the signing up of the Frozen Products company, 4200 East 12th street, Oakland. This company was placed on the "unfair" list last week by the drivers but was removed this week after the signing of the agreement.

Unions involved state that the agreement reached is in compliance with all laws of their respective unions and for that reason the firm is now in good standing with organized labor of this district.

Culinary Workers Present Spooner With Watch Charm

William A. Spooner, secretary of the Central Labor Council of Alameda county, was presented with a beautiful watch charm by members of Culinary Workers' Union, Local No. 31, a few days ago.

The presentation was made by Herbert Lyle, member of the executive board. Lyle said: "This little token is in appreciation of your faithful service to this union for the past 15 years."

Spooner retired from the presidency May 1.

Federal Housing Bill Gets Roosevelt's O. K.

Agreement Reached on Major Points on $876,000,000 Program to Provide Low Cost Houses for Small Income Groups.

President Roosevelt announced that an agreement had finally been reached on the major points of a new federal housing program for the benefit of low income groups and expressed the hope that the measure would be enacted into law during the present session of congress.

The president indicated that the basis for discussion was the $876,000,000 bill sponsored by Senator Wagner of New York, which provides for a four-year program of loans and grants to local housing bodies for the construction of houses and for slum clearance in the interest of people whose annual income is so small that they are prevented from purchasing houses or renting housing accommodations built under the usual procedure of private industry.

According to figures prepared by Senator Wagner at least ten million houses for these low-income groups will be required during the next few years. The Wagner bill sets up a federal housing authority with power to lend local government units 55 per cent of the cost of approved low-cost housing and slum-clearance units and to make grants of 45 per cent.

The chief executive said he believed complete agreement would be reached among the legislative and administrative officials for a considerable time, and adding that only details relating to financing and administration remained to be settled.

President William Green of the American Federation of Labor informed President Roosevelt that the federation was "wholeheartedly" in favor of the Wagner bill.

Low Wages Blamed For "Farm Problem"

One reason we have a farm problem is that a large part of the population doesn't have enough to eat. Low wages won't permit it.

The lowest paid workers, the department of labor disclosed this week, manage to survive on a diet almost entirely of bread, flour and potatoes. Their families spend about $300 a year for food, whereas a bare health diet calls for not less than $500.

Man power will not be utilized unless workers and their families use their buying power.

EDITORIAL

Labor Declares Wage Board Illegal

Acting in an unlawful manner and in violation of the Wagner labor disputes act, the industrial association of San Francisco has announced "they" have set up another so-called "impartial" wage board again this year to adjust the wages of all building trades crafts in the bay region.

For years this open shop group has taken the full authority of setting up all wage boards without consulting those, either employe or employer, in the building trades construction industry in this district. They have tried to adjust wages and have failed miserably. Now regardless of the law of the land "they" again announce another sitting of the "impartial" wage board; a hand-picked board operating in violation of an act of congress, the Wagner labor disputes act.

This un-American attack on the Wagner act by the industrial association, this self-appointed group of law-makers, who believe it is possible to even override the congress of the United States, has raised the ire of all respectable contractors and workers to take arms against such tactics and protest to the proper authorities demanding the full protection of the Wagner labor disputes act.

With this thought in mind the Building Trades Council of Alameda county adopted the following resolution:

Whereas, Newspapers of Alameda county and in the bay district have carried stories that another so-called "impartial" wage board will be set up by a group of individuals called the industrial association; and

Whereas, The said industrial association is not now, nor has it ever been, associated with the building construction industry of Alameda county; and

Whereas, Under the Wagner labor disputes act, an act adopted by congress, it is the law of the United States that wages, hours and working conditions for the working people of this nation should be established through the medium of collective bargaining carried on between properly elected representatives of both employes and employers in any industry, or subdivision thereof; and

Whereas, The industrial association not being a properly elected employes' or employers' group are acting in defiance of the law, and in an unlawful manner; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Building Trades Council of Alameda county, in regular session this 12th day of May, 1936, does hereby go on record of carrying out a policy of lawful and legal procedure as set forth in the law of the land; and be it further

Resolved, That the Building Trades Council of Alameda county will not meet nor deal with any industrial association or group other than bona fide building construction employers, and that this same policy be adopted by each and every local union affiliated with this council, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread on the minutes of this council, and a copy sent to all newspapers both dailies and weeklies, in the bay region.

Kokomo Central Labor Union Secures Repeal of Anti-Picketing Ordinance

City Council Passed Measure in 1935 to Fight Strike of Operative Potters.

Organized labor in Kokomo, Ind., represented by the trades and labor council won its first fight to protect the rights of the workers by the action of the city council in repealing the notorious anti-picketing ordinance, which was placed on the municipal statute books here in 1935 as a measure to fight the members of the national brotherhood of operative potters in their strike against the Kokomo Sanitary Pottery company.

By thorough picketing the plant was tied up for several months. Then the mayor of Kokomo issued orders to the police that picketing was not to be permitted. The strikers challenged the legal validity of the order and continued effective picketing of the plant. Led by the mayor, the city council in special session enacted the ordinance forbidding any sort of picketing in Kokomo.

Determined to test the constitutionality of the ordinance as in conflict with the state law permitting peaceful picketing, the potters violated it with the result that 40 or 50 of them were placed under arrest.

The ordinance was recognized as such a complete violation of the rights of the workers that the action of the potters' brotherhood in challenging its constitutionality was supported by the Indiana State Federation of Labor and by President William Green of the American Federation of Labor, who in a letter to the national and international unions on January 9, 1936, requested financial assistance to enable the brotherhood in the legal procedure necessary to fight the case in the courts.

The Kokomo Trades and Labor Council believe that their success in having the city council repeal the anti-picketing ordinance will stimulate organized labor in other cities in their efforts to have similar measures removed from the statute books.

Speakers on Tom Mooney Program Tonight, Oakland

The Mooney-Billings mass meeting will open tonight in the Oakland auditorium theater at 8 o'clock sharp, the committee in charge announced this week.

Hundreds of Mooney-Billings sympathizers are expected to fill the theater. Meetings of this kind are scheduled tonight in all cities in the state of California. These meetings have the indorsement of the California State Federation of Labor.

Speakers on tonight's program are:

William A. Spooner, secretary of Alameda County Central Labor Council; Kasper Bauer, president, local No. 266, butcher workmen of North America; George T. Davis, Mooney-Billings defense attorney; Dr. Earl N. Griggs, pastor, University Christian church of Berkeley and Clarence Tobey, Building Trades Council.

Alameda Steam Laundry Unfair

Laundry Workers' Union, Local No. 2, is continuing its campaign against the Alameda Steam laundry. The employes of this laundry are more than willing to affiliate with a labor union but due to the refusal of the plant owners to meet with union conditions, the steam laundry is still listed as "unfair," Jessie Wittorff, secretary of the union, announced today.

Drivers report business dropping off rapidly since the laundry was listed as "unfair" and it will be only a matter of days before this establishment is brought into the union fold, labor representatives predict.

A list of the union laundries is published in this newspaper each week. All members of labor unions and friends are asked to give their full support to these laundries.

Janitors and Window Cleaners' Union No. 18 Annual Picnic Sunday

Sunday, May 17, at Valente's park, Lafayette, Contra Costa county, Janitors and Window Cleaners' Union, Local No. 18, will hold their annual picnic and entertainment.

Special sports between San Francisco and Oakland unions will feature this year's picnic. Dancing, sports and games are on the program also.

Tickets are selling for 35 cents each; children under 12 admitted free.

Last Rights Held for Mrs. L. C. Giles, 84

Funeral services were held from the funeral parlors of Truman company, Tuesday for Mrs. Lettie C. Giles, age 84, who died at the Merritt hospital last Sunday.

She was the mother of W. B. Giles, first commander of Union Labor Post No. 1917 V. F. W.

Many veterans and friends attended the services.

Meeting Called by Fur Workers Here

Next Monday evening, in Carpenters' hall, 761 12th street, fur workers of the bay region will meet to discuss the advisability of affiliating with the international union. A representative of the general office will be present to address the meeting.

All fur workers are urged to attend. The meeting is called for 8 o'clock sharp.

Cotton Manufacturers Are Against Little FTC

Opposition to the Ellenbogen bill, setting up a little FTC for the textile industry, was condemned this week by the American Cotton Manufacturers' Association.

While voicing opposition to government regulation, the association called for voluntary continuation of the former NRA code hours and wages.

Radio Commission Hit

Montreal officials of the American Federation of Musicians appeared before the radio committee of the house of commons this week and bluntly declared that the Canadian radio commission was aiding non-union musicians and asked that the practice be discontinued. President P. M. Draper of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada will testify later.

Women Workers Greatest Sufferers From Abolition of NRA Code Standards

Employers Have Increased Average Work Week Three Hours and Frequently Cut Wages During Past Year, President Green Tells Convention.

The edict of the United States supreme court holding unconstitutional the national industrial recovery act under which NRA code standards were established in industry hit women workers harder than any other group, William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, declared in addressing the convention of the National Women's Trade Union League of America at Washington.

He also presented reliable data showing that the return of child labor and resumption of home work since the end of the NRA have been most extensive and more directly responsible in depressing labor standards throughout industry.

On the subject of hours and wages following the abolition of the NRA codes, Mr. Green said:

"The lengthening of hours in industry since May, 1935, when NRA was invalidated, resulted in the increase of the average work week in the course of seven months by three hours. Most of this additional work has been added without the corresponding wage compensation and often while hours were increased wages were cut. Thus the departure from code standards meant not only longer hours for the workers but also a drastic wage loss. More than that, the lengthening of hours made it impossible for the industry to absorb in the process of current recovery those who are now among the unemployed.

70-Hour Week in Cotton Industry

"In many of the industries in which the NRA labor standards have almost completely collapsed women constitute the majority of the employes.

"In the cotton garment industry, for example, and in the silk textile industry, where the code standards were wiped out soon after the invalidation of the NRA, many women workers have suffered not only a drastic reduction in their weekly wages, but at the same time have been forced to work as long as 60 and 70 hours a week.

"In the hosiery industry, where a large number of additional departures from code standards are reported this spring, intolerable work loads together with lengthened hours and reduced wages have been reported.

"In the textile industry generally, we find that even in those plants where wage minima have been maintained, the speed-up has been such as to make many women workers physically incapable of handling the load.

Women's Work Standards Lowered

"In the retail trades, where women workers constitute a major portion of the employes, code standards have been almost universally abandoned.

"In looking at the post-NRA situation as a whole, it would not be an exaggeration to say that women workers have been hardest hit by the abandonment of the code standards. Those who have remained in employment have their hours lengthened and wages cut, and those who are now unemployed have been deprived of their opportunity for re-employment.

"I will give you a few illustrations of the lowering of standards in the work done by women in different types of industries. These illustrations have been chosen not at random, not from any plant where there might be no direct connection with supervision by the federal government under the present conditions, but from establishments which furnished their products to the federal government under contract.

10 Cents an Hour Wages

"A large knit underwear mill in Tennessee employes 1,200 women and 500 men. This firm maintained a weekly code minimum rate of $12 through December, 1935, but raised its daily working hours to 10 and weekly hours to 57 for women. This firm handled during that time a large order for the CCC and forced its workers to work at break-neck pace to have the order filled as rapidly and as cheaply as possible.

"A shirt factory in Maryland working under a government contract was paying in August, 1935, as low as 10 cents an hour with most of the women employes receiving only two or three dollars a week for 52 hours of work.

"In July, 1935, a garment factory in Pennsylvania working on a government contract employed the girls from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m., which were the standard hours, but most of the time kept them as late as 8 p. m. The girls were paid as low as $3 a week for this time and refusal to work until 8 p. m. meant loss of the job."

Papers Disappear In Mooney Case

Original Documents Are Declared Missing At State House.

Original documents from the Tom Mooney Preparedness Day bombing trials, sent to Sacramento for pardon action under various governors, have mysteriously disappeared from the state building there.

This was revealed at the Mooney habeas corpus hearing by George Davis, Mooney's attorney.

"They were sent there when Mooney petitioned Governor Richardson for a pardon," he said. "Recently I went to Sacramento to consult them. They had disappeared. Past governors assured me they were there when they were in office. It's a strange commentary on the wheels of justice when documents in a case of this type, that is still open, are not filed or even cared for."

Davis introduced an affidavit signed by Estelle Smith, prosecution witness in the Rena Mooney and Warren K. Billings trials, and charged Fickert with coaching her in taking the affidavits. He went on to charge that the testimony he gave in the Rena Mooney trial was the price she paid for the commutation of her half-uncle's prison sentence. The half-uncle, J. L. Murphy, was serving a term for the murder of Irene Smith in April, 1913.

Tonight in the Oakland auditorium theater, union labor of Alameda county will hold an open mass meeting for Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billings.

Typographical Union Golden Jubilee Soon

Beautiful Oak Knoll country club, Mountain boulevard and Sequoyah road, will be the scene of the golden jubilee celebration of Oakland Typographical Union No. 36 on the evening of June 28. Members of the union and their friends and guests will gather there for an informal dinner-dance and entertainment. Guests will include many persons prominent in the printing industry in the community and in the typographical union.

Members of the local union will be given first opportunity to secure reservations for themselves and their immediate families. After June 1 reservations remaining available can be secured, up to the maximum, by mail order to the secretary, 562 Eleventh street, Oakland. Mail orders will be filled on June 1 in the order of their receipt.

Mail orders are being received now and from present indications the demand on hand on June 1 will exceed the supply of tickets available on that date.

Reservations will not be necessary for the open meeting of the union at Odd Fellows hall at 1:00 p. m., which will preceed the evening entertainment.

Trades Council Calls Utility Meeting June 10

Representatives of the Building Trades Council announced yesterday that the meeting called with east bay utility district workers has been postponed to June 10. The meeting will convene in Native Sons' hall, 561 11th street, Oakland, at 8 o'clock.

Letters and circulars are in the mail notifying the mechanics and laborers, employed by the utility district, of the coming meeting.

It is estimated that at least 500 utility workers are eligible to join a labor union. Building trades representatives will address the meeting.

Milwaukee Engineers Receive Wage Boost

Local 311 of the Operating Engineers' Union secured an agreement from the electric company which will add about $21,000 annually to the wages of the 256 men covered by the contract.

In addition to the wage increase, the union secured vacations with pay. The company also agreed to employ 30 or 40 engineers who are ordinarily laid off during the summer months.

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LEAGUE OF NATIONS DISCREDITED

Prolonged conversations and heated discussions have marked the impotent part the league of nations has been playing during recent months before the eyes of the people of many nations. When it came to accomplishing any of the purposes for which it was supposed to be organized, particularly that of protecting weaker members of the league from stronger nations inclined to wage wars of conquest against them, the league of nations stands forth as a completely discredited voice, which had volunteered to guide in a sadly bewildered period of human history.

An organization which cannot protect its members in the very purpose for which it is founded comes about as close to having missed its calling as any other failure in life ever did. It looks like wasted energy to form a league, composed of many nations, which is supposed to protect each and every one of the member nations from aggression, but which does it not in the very first case to come before it.

The war in Ethiopia was a clear case of one nation arming to the hilt to invade and conquer the territory occupied by another nation.

It was a case of the attacking nation being equipped with the machinery of modern warfare, while the nation attacked was wholly defenseless against such implements of war. Yet both of these nations, Italy and Ethiopia, were league members.

Did the league protect the weaker nation against the aggression of the invading conquerors? There was plenty of talk about Ethiopia getting a square deal but when it came to action the whole performance looked like a farce in which the supposed protector acted as if quite willing to have Italy invade Ethiopia and take a good-sized slice, but objected to have her take all of it. If this is not a brand of protection, which is not worth having, then what is it?

Would the United States Government permit some ambitious upstart of a governor in one state to use his militia to invade and dispossess the people and establish a government of another state and sit idly by while this was being done? This is exactly what the league of nations permitted one of its members to do to another member of that league. The fact that the league failed to prevent it from being done, although it has had many months to do it, is what discredits the league.

What makes the present instance particularly striking is that both Ethiopia and Italy had been members of the league of nations since long before the war on Ethiopia was started by Italy and both continued as members during the entire period for which the war in question was raging. If the league cannot control its own members nor discipline them, when they start wars of aggression against fellow members of the league, then such an ineffective league might as well fold up and call it another experiment that failed.

Our own nation may have done many foolish things but among the sensible moves made by the United States the action it took, when it refused to become a member of such a worthless league, was an act of wisdom. Let us continue to stay out of it.

TIME TO DO MORE THAN TALK

For over three years many of the heads of the political party now in power in the United States have been uttering nice words of commendation of the idea of shortening the hours of labor. That sounds fine but mere talk is both worthless and meaningless unless carried into execution.

If the party now in power intends to do anything, beyond indulging in make-believe gestures, the time for doing it is getting mighty short. With all the talk about shortening hours of labor what gains were made in that direction, while the NRA was in force, have been almost wholly lost since that law was declared unconstitutional.

During all this time congress has failed to enact any law to establish the six-hour day and the five-day week, which is demanded by the A. F. of L. Such a law has been introduced but it never got very much beyond the pigeon hole stage. Now, if this congress has any intention of doing anything more than just talk of shorter hours of labor there is not much time left in which to act.

Labor is getting sick and disgusted with these lawmakers, who are eternally talking about what they are going to do but never doing it.

If you are not registered, so you can be in line to vote at the remaining elections of 1936, you are neglecting to exercise one of the most priceless privileges you still have. Lose no time in attending to this duty. You cannot vote unless you are registered.

DEMAND THE UNION LABEL AT ALL TIMES

AUXILIARY NOTES

HOW THE WOMEN ARE HELPING THROUGH THEIR ORGANIZATIONS

Notes of L. A. to I. A. of M. No. 97

It was a real pleasure to see so many in attendance at the meeting, May 8th, in celebration of our nineteenth birthday and we welcomed the following who were initiated: Sisters Mary Malmquist, Isabelle Peral, Pauline Tomsic, Mae Ritter, Hilma Souza and Georgena Trimmer.

Past President Sister Cook and Secretary Carey of San Francisco lodge honored us with their presence.

Letters were read from Vallejo lodge, Second International Vice-President, Sister Swan, and Business Agent S. Jacobs of Local No. 284, expressing their regrets at not being with us. Our organizer, Sister Mae L. Taylor, was also unable to attend the meeting and was sorely missed.

Sister Hines who has been confined to Highland hospital has improved enough to return to her home and will be glad to see any member.

Sister Violet Booth has been quite ill, also her children, and we sincerely hope that she is better.

Sister Carey of San Francisco extended congratulations to Oakland Lodge from her auxiliary.

The cedar chest went to Sister Alice Heim who held ticket No. 1110. The past presidents wish to thank all who worked, donated, sold tickets and aided in making the success which aided so financially the treasury with which the convention delegate will be sent to Milwaukee. To the out-of-town sisters we extend our appreciation, especially Sister Ellis, for her generosity.

The social committee is planning a silver tea to be held on May 20th, at 2 p. m., at the home of Sister Hoover, 865 Apgar street. A good time is promised all who attend. Let's turn out and fill her home.

On going to the banquet room, the scene which met the eye will be remembered. May poles surrounded by clothespin dolls dressed to represent rosebuds formed the center decoration at each table while May baskets containing miniature May poles were placed at each plate. The birthday cake encircled with candles of pink and green nestled in holders of crepe paper in the same colors. A lovely salad was served and many cakes made and donated by the sisters were enjoyed by all.

Mr. Quinn opened the program with well chosen remarks, followed by short talks from Bro. Vernon, business agent of Local No. 1546, Mr. O'Leary of millmen's union, and Bro. Foley of No. 284. The musical selections were a vocal solo by Miss Emma Furrer, accompanied by Sisters Bober and Stall, and a piano selection by Miss Dorothy Souza.

To close the evening's festivities, four consolation awards were made to the following: Sisters Paquette, Granter, Bosworth and Van Cott.

INEZ THORBURN, Press Cor.

Woman's Auxiliary No. 26

A half-hour dicussion of the proposed home at Colorado Springs for the wives of union printers was held prior to the regular business meeting at the Park boulevard clubhouse on May 7. Mrs. F. M. Chilson, who is a trustee for the home, read a report on the progress made by the home committee.

The meeting was then called to order by Mrs. R. D. Ewing, president. The reports of committee chairmen were read. Each report indicated that the work for this term is satisfactorily under way.

Mrs. H. C. Closson, chaplain, read a beautiful Memorial Day service tribute to those members and the friends in Oakland Typographical Union who have passed on.

A luncheon committee, headed by Mrs. Nettie Babcock, was appointed to take care of that important phase of the next social meeting on May 20th.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Garcia have left Oakland for a four months' vacation trip that will take Mr. Garcia as far as Portugal. They are crossing the continent by automobile, and Mrs. Garcia plans to visit relatives in Rhode Island while her husband goes on to Portugal for a reunion with his parents. Our sincere wishes for a happy vacation go with them.

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Merrie Chaudet Trumbly,
Press Correspondent.

Carpenters' Auxiliary No. 1060

The next social will be held Tuesday, May 19, at Sister Lyons' home, 2119 Grant street, at 12 noon. It would be greatly appreciated if you would try to be more prompt at these socials, as it is very annoying for a hostess to have to keep her luncheon waiting for a half hour for late comers. Will you please phone Sister Lyons your reservation so she will know how many to prepare for on Tuesday?

We hope you will all be able to attend.

BETTY SHUMAKE, Press Cor.

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TEAMSTERS No. 70 NOTES

By CHARLES W. REAL

The Frozen Products company of Oakland have adjusted their difference with the Milk Wagon Drivers' Union, Local 302 and the Brotherhood of Teamsters' Union, Local No. 70. This firm has been on the official "We Don't Patronize" list for some time. In the past two weeks the organizations above mentioned prosecuted the boycott against this firm and were successful in removing the non-union employes from the trucks, as well as inside workers and replaced them with members of the unions involved.

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The American Express agency does not employ members of the Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local No. 70. Whenever possible, advise firms that you do business with to have their merchandise delivered by firms that employ members of local No. 70.

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Sam Gluck says: "Be noble, and the nobleness that lies in other men, sleeping, but never dead, will rise in majesty to meet thine own."

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The Shell Oil company still refuses to recognize the brotherhood of teamsters. Therefore, members of organized labor, and their friends, are asked by the brotherhood of teamsters to not patronize the Shell Oil company until they meet with the requirements of local No. 70.

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The Air Reduction company of Emeryville have operated their trucks with non-union drivers over a long period, but the organizers have reported that everything points to a satisfactory settlement in the very near future. When you meet the drivers of the Air Reduction company, encourage them to affiliate with your union and explain the protection and help they will receive when they become members of local No. 70.

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George Ferguson says: "Upon a sound physical foundation alone can we build a high moral and spiritual union, and that must be done by right thinking men."

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Russell French, one of our highway organizers, is now working in the Contra Costa district, which has been neglected for a long time. Indications are that in a short period of time "Russ" will have Contra Costa county truck drivers affiliated with local No. 70, and help these drivers to secure a better scale of wages.

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Frank Farro is home now, getting along very nicely. He would appreciate seeing any of the boys should they be in his neighborhood. The rest of the sick are getting along as well as can be expected.

The union label is an eternal strike against low wages, long hours and unfair conditions.

ENGINEERS No. 59

Attention all members . . . pay your dues and obtain a working button.

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The last meeting of local 59 a large attendance was witnessed. It was a very progressive meeting. . . . Attend all meetings if possible.

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Brother G. B. Sawtell, injured last week is showing signs of improvement.

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Eight new members were initiated at our last meeting. The local is getting bigger and stronger all the time. More candidates will be initiated during the coming month.

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If you see an engineer working, who is not a member of your union, call your business representative at once.

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Don't forget the big mass meeting of the east bay utility district workers, June 10, in Native Sons' hall, 561 11th street, Oakland. All building trades mechanics will be organized. . . . This can be easily accomplished with your help.

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Brother R. O. Green is now working a day shift and will be at all our meetings, as will Brother George Hayes, who has been working out of town for several weeks.

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When out of employment call your business representative . . . by doing this it may mean a job for you.

Machinists Win Raises

Wage increases ranging from $2 to $7 a week have just been granted to members of the machinists' union employed by the Brighton Place Dairy and the Bartholomay company of Rochester, N. Y. Negotiations were conducted by Grand Lodge Representative S. L. Newman.

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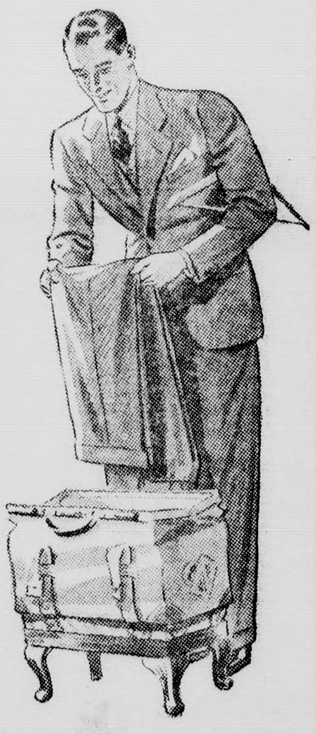
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Central Labor Council Minutes

Oakland, Calif., May 11, 1936.

The regular meeting of the Central Labor Council of Alameda county was called to order on the above date at the hour of 8:00 p. m., by President William P. Fee. Delegates were noted as present.

Report of Business Agent—

The business agent in his report submitted a resolution (copy of which is printed in this edition of the East Bay Labor Journal) concerning the violation of certain laws pertinent to workers employed at the Kenneth tunnels, California, which he recommended be endorsed.

The report of the business agent and his recommendation was concurred in.

Credentials—

Credentials were received and accepted.

Communications—

From the bakery wagon drivers, requesting that the O. K. Bakery be removed from the official "We Don't Patronize" list. Request ordered complied with.

From the Brotherhood of Teamsters' Union, Local No. 70, requesting that the Shell Oil company be placed on the "We Don't Patronize" list. Referred to the executive committee.

From the auto mechanics' union, enclosing copy of their wage agreement and thanking the council for its assistance in securing said agreement. Filed.

From the international longshoremen's union of this district, thanking the council and affiliated organizations which pledged their support during the recent waterfront employers' lockout. Filed for reference.

From Congressman John H. Tolan, enclosing copy of bill regarding data governing the United States employes' compensation. Filed for reference.

From the sheet metal workers' union, requesting that the council remove the firm of Benner & Nawman from the official "We Don't Patronize" list and thanking the council for its co-operation. Filed and request ordered complied with.

From the theatrical janitors, regarding their action on the appeal for funds in behalf of the Mooney-Billings defense. Filed.

From the brotherhood of sleeping car porters, enclosing substantial donation to the Mooney-Billings defense fund and the American newspaper guild. Filed.

From the Building Trades Council of Alameda county, requesting financial aid from organizations interested in organizing the employes of the East Bay municipal utility district. Referred to new business.

At this time the following resolution was read and upon motion duly made and seconded, declared adopted:

Resolution

Whereas, The California Federation of Civil Service Associations is sponsoring by the initative, a proposed amendment to the constitution of California which will bring within "civil service" all the counties and cities of the state with a population of 1,000 or over, which are not now under "civil service"; and

Whereas, Approximately 75 per cent of the public officers and employes in California are already under "civil service," including federal, state, county and city employes; and

Whereas, The city and county of San Francisco, the counties of San Diego, Los Angeles and Alameda and the cities of San Diego, Long Beach, San Bernardino, Bakersfield, Fresno, Sacramento, Oakland and San Jose and other cities already are under "civil service"; and

Whereas, A large number of civil service employes in this state are affiliated with organized labor; and are thoroughly in sympathy with its objects; and

Whereas, Organized labor believes that public positions which are not of a policy making nature should be filled impartially as the result of public, competitive tests, and should not be filled by interests which regard government as an instrument for accomplishing their own selfish purposes; and

Whereas, The California Federation of Civil Service Associations is in sympathy with the objects of organized labor; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Central Labor Council of Alameda county, that it hereby endorses said proposed constitutional amendment, which will extend civil service to all the counties and cities of this state which are not now under civil service; and be it further

Resolved, That those who are affiliated with organized labor through the Central Labor Council of Alameda county be, and they are hereby, urged to advocate the adoption of said proposed constitutional amendment by a "yes" vote thereon at the election which will be held on November 3, 1936.

Bills—

Bills were referred to the trustees and paid on their recommendation.

Reports of Committees—

The report of the executive committee and the recommendations submitted was then read and concurred in.

New Business—

The communication from the Building Trades Council of Alameda county regarding the organization of certain workers was then discussed, following which a motion was made that the request be complied with. The motion was adopted.

A motion was then made that the resolution presented by the secretary relating to the violations of safety rules in the rock tunnels near Kenneth, California, be adopted. The motion was concurred in.

At this time the Mooney mass meeting committee submitted its report calling attention to the fact that Brother Gene Gaillac has been appointed to act as chairman for the meeting. They also reported that several automobile signs are available advertising the meeting and requested the delegates to make use of same. The committee also requested that the Building Trades Council of Alameda county share the expense of the mass meeting and also asked that the secretary-treasurer of the council prepare a list of the organizations who have contributed to the fund in order that same may be read to the mass meeting.

Attention was then called to the desire of certain members of the certified welders to affiliate with the American Federation of Labor. This matter was referred to the secretary of the council.

Motion was then made as follows: That the council communicate with all unions requesting financial support for the criminal syndicalism act repeal campaign. The motion was adopted.

Reports of Unions—

Attention was called at this time to an entertainment and floor show to be sponsored by certain organizations of the railroad brotherhoods to be held at Duffy's gymnasium, Saturday, June 27, the proceeds of which will be donated to the Mooney-Billings fund. The price of admission will be 40 cents.

Retail clerks reported regarding Gallenkamp shoe stores and the efforts being made to secure signed working agreement.

Barbers reported an agressive campaign of organization particularly along East Fourteenth street and urged that the demand for the union shop card be carried on.

Butchers report that the Morrell Packing company products are still unfair to organized labor and requested that none of the prod-

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Culinary Workers' Notes

At the last meeting of the union a $10 donation was made to the committee in charge of the repeal of the criminal syndicalism act and of the Cramer bill. Attending members placed their names on the petition for the repeal of the syndicalism law.

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Business agent reports signing up several houses, including the Fior D'Italia and the Eagles cafe. Wholehearted support is given the business agent in his efforts in signing up these restaurants.

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The culinary workers are on record against all finger printing.

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General President Edward Flore will address the local members this afternoon in Native Sons' hall, 561 11th street at 2 o'clock sharp. All members are asked to attend if possible. Prominent labor leaders will address the assemblage. William A. Spooner will be the chairman.

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Tonight in the Oakland auditorium theater a mass meeting will be held for Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billings. You are asked to attend.

Highlights at Neptune Beach, Alameda, Sunday

Prominent main-event wrestlers will be featured at Neptune Beach on Sunday afternon. Two different shows will be staged on the outdoor beach platform at 2:30 and 5 p. m.

Alvin Britt, junior heavyweight wrestling champion of the world will take on Danny Savich of the University of Utah. This match will take place at 2:30 p. m.

Blacksmith Pedigo will go against Buzz Reynolds in the show which takes place at 5 p. m.

Amusement seekers are taking advantage of the new policy at Neptune where free dancing is now being held on Friday nights as well as on Saturday and Sunday nights.

Higher Wages for Women Urged by Miss Anderson

The double wage standard—one set of pay rates for men and a lower set for women—was denounced by Miss Mary Anderson, director of the women's bureau of the department of labor, as a "two-edged sword cutting into our modern economic fabric," in an address before the convention of the National Women's Trade Union League at Washington.

Most women who seek employment are driven by the necessity of earning a living and are also contributing to the support of dependents, many being the sole wage earner of the family," Miss Anderson said.

"If women can be hired for less pay, men are in danger of having to accept wage cuts or of being forced out of jobs. Because so many men earn too little to support their families—and this is a reflection not on the men but on our economic system—many married women are forced into gainful employment. Or if a family must depend entirely upon a lower-paid woman breadwinner because the man cannot get work, this means a lowered standard of living for the family."

Thrill-A-Thon At Ice Skating Rink

A new idea in entertainment will be presented to Oaklanders at the ice skating rink on 14th street beginning May 21.

For sports lovers a thrill-a-thon, the new kind of entertainment, will be shown in Oakland for the first time. It is better, sports editors predict, than a marathon or a walkathon.

Labor Council Here Asks Protection For Work on Kenneth Tunnel Job

By WILLIAM A. SPOONER
Secretary, Central Labor Council

In January, 1936, the United States bureau of reclamation started the work of drilling seven test tunnels at a point approximately three miles south of Kenneth, Shasta county, California. These test tunnels are being driven to ascertain the character of the rock and to determine if the site is a suitable location for a large water retaining dam. About 150 workmen were taken from the relief rolls and given employment upon the work. All rock drill and mucking in these seven tunnels has been done by the dry process. The work on the entire project has been carried on in violation of the mine and tunnel safety laws of the state of California.

On March 30 a committee representing the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers protested against these conditions to Industrial Accident Commissioner Frank C. MacDonald, and Glenn G. Gillespie, executive board member district No. 2 of the International Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers filed with the industrial accident commission of California a written protest against the conditions of employment on the seven tunnels.

Immediately thereafter Mr. Fred L. Lowell, supervising engineer, mining section of the safety department of the industrial accident commission was sent to inspect the tunnels by Industrial Accident Commissioner MacDonald. Lowell inspected the tunnels in the presence of the representatives of the United States bureau of reclamation and personally advised of the danger and the violations of law.

Thereafter, on April 3, 1936, Mr. Walker R. Young, construction engineer United States bureau of reclamation, headquarters, room 206, old post office building, Sacramento, California, was served with a letter, advising of the written complaint received by the industrial accident commission, and also advising that the charges made in the complaint were found to be true.

The violations of the mine safety and tunnel laws were enumerated in this letter signed by Mr. Fred L. Lowell, who, acting upon authorization of the industrial accident commission, requested that these dangerous and unlawful conditions be immediately corrected.

Upon the failure of the officials of the United States bureau of reclamation to correct these dangerous and unlawful conditions, Industrial Accident Commissioner Frank C. MacDonald notified the United States department of labor of the dangerous and unlawful conditions and requested their assistance in having these dangerous and unlawful conditions corrected.

It is reported that notwithstanding the efforts of the United States department of labor, the officials of the United States bureau of reclamation failed and refused to correct the dangerous and unlawful conditions.

In the meantime, reports have been made that a number of men have become ill from the exposure and that in particular there has already been reported two cases of silicosis resulting from the dust exposure in the Kenneth tunnels.

In view of the unfortunate conditions herein referred to the following resolutions were adopted by the Central Labor Council last Monday evening:

Whereas, Great public indignation has been expressed throughout the United States of America because of the killing of a number of miners and the dooming to an early death of scores of other workmen who worked in the silica dust charged atmosphere of the tunnel at Gauley bridge, West Virginia, wherein workmen were compelled to dry drill notwithstanding the fact that a cheap efficient method of wet drilling is required by the safety laws of most states in the union; and

Whereas, It now appears that at the very time of the public exposure and investigation of the Gauley bridge, West Virginia, tunnel tragedy, which was being denounced by the daily press, citizens generally and by United States senators and congressmen, that officials of the United States bureau of reclamation were requiring workmen to dry drill in seven silica rock tunnels located near Kenneth, California, thereby knowingly exposing citizen workmen to the identical dust hazards of disease and of death that took its deadly toll in the Gauley ridge, West Virginia, tunnel; and

Whereas, Investigation discloses that a number of other safety laws were also being violated by the federal official in charge of the work in the seven Kenneth tunnels and that therefore protest was made by the industrial accident commission of the state of California to the officials of the United States bureau of reclamation, with the request that the safety laws of the state of California, and in particular the law requiring wet drilling, be observed and followed in the drilling of the seven tunnels at Kenneth, California; and

Whereas, The officials of the United States bureau of recalmation have failed and refused to observe the safety laws of the state of California which require wet

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Preacher Sends Mooney Message

The Reverend Alexander Irvine wired Tom Mooney the following telegram on December 24, 1931:

Tom Mooney,
San Quentin Prison, California.

We are celebrating today the birthday of the carpenter. We are proclaiming to the world peace and good will.

Your martyrdom is but one instance of its holiness and insincerity.

It was the religious people of his day who crucified Christ and your Good Friday has been tortuously lengthened out by the cruel vindictiveness, cowardice and cupidity of his followers.

Your name will live in history when all of the tinselled harlotry of the present social order is forgotten.

Be of good cheer; though in a prison cell you are a shoulder comrade of the immortals.

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ON KROW

Non-Union Morrell Company Attacks Union Butchers In Underhanded Way Says Dennis Lane, Secretary-Treasurer

Butchers of Alameda county received the following communication from Secretary-Treasurer Dennis Lane of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America:

Mr. Charles Wagner, Secretary,
Local Union No. 120,
562 11th street, Labor Temple,
Oakland, California.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Your letter of April 13 with copy of statement issued by the John Morrell company regarding their difficulties at Sioux Falls, received.

I have read the Morrell document over carefully and must say that it has been very cleverly drawn up, hiding their vicious underhanded attacks upon the union and active members of the union.

I am not personally familiar with all of the details that led up to the strike of July, 1935, but I know the grievance that brought about the strike in July, 1935, was over the discharge of twenty-nine employes who were all officers and union representatives, such as stewards of the various departments. To counteract Morrell's statement of fairness as to the rights of their employes to organize and deal collectively, I want to say that when we had a going local union at Ottumwa, Iowa, Mr. T. Henry Foster caused the active fellows within the local to be called into his office individually and questioned as to their affiliation with the union. To each of these union members he would make the statement that the employes joining the union would forfeit their free insurance, that the company put out as a bait to keep their employes from joining the amalgamated, and vacations with pay. And at the same time strenuous efforts were being made by privileged employes and hirelings to bring the employes within the fold of the company union.

It is not a true statement by the company that they were open-minded with regard to their employes organizing into a union of their own choosing. That we are certain of, because of the intimidation and coercive tactics applied by the company at each period when our union was established among the employes of the Morrell company.

The Morrell company is just as guilty as any of the packers with regard to the packers' program back in 1921 to destroy the organization and reduce wages. In 1921 we were working under an agreement made between the packers, the United States government and the union. Morrell and company was a party to this agreement, and before the agreement expired the packers repudiated the agreement, announcing an eight per cent cut in wages and the abolishment of all machinery that had been set up to take care of grievances.

A strike followed in December of 921 that continued well into February of 1922. It was at that time he packers set up their company unions and the Morrell company was one of the most aggressive in that program. In our old agreement prior to March, 1921, overtime rates were paid after eight hours. This was destroyed by the packers using their company union to hide behind and then later on stated they would pay overtime rates after ten hours, which virtually destroyed the eight-hour day.

He makes no mention of the wage cuts put into force between 1921 and 1925, but refers only to reductions that came on after the depression started in 1929. The first increase granted by the packers prior to the depression was announced on December 6, two days after a wage conference was held in Chicago by representatives of our local unions in all the packing centers whereat the conference had formulated demands in behalf of the workers for a 20 per cent increase. The packers announced a voluntary 10 per cent increase and giving their company unions credit for the move.

Between January 1, 1934 and August, 1934, many sporatic strikes occurred in various localities through Iowa, Minnesota, Oklahoma, Illinois, Wisconsin and other central points and a threatened strike of some 10,000 of our members working for Iowa packers, including the Morrell company, if the packers did not grant an increase in wages. Strikes had already taken place at Sioux City, Des Moines, Cedar Rapids and, if I remember correctly, Mason City, Iowa. This was getting pretty close to the Morrell company.

On October 1 these Iowa packers granted an eight per cent increase in wages, so you see the increases granted by Morrell and the other packers were not initiated by them but because of pressure on the part of the employes who were organized and were demanding better wages and living conditions.

Morrell makes mention of the packers' increases while operating under the temporary code. The fact is there was never a code for the industry that was accepted by the company. They had a code of their own and their code was intended to run the business high handed and with all disregard to all bone fide organized labor that was employed in their plants.

The strike that is on now was started in July of 1935, came as a result of the company defying the decision of the regional labor board, which was for the company to reinstate the twenty-nine men that were let out, or discharged, at the time the previous walkout was terminated.

Just recently President Gorman had a conference with T. Henry Foster and his brother at the main offices of the company at Ottumwa, Iowa, endeavoring to settle this strike. During this conference the company was then very willing to re-employ those twenty-nine men in question if we would call off the boycott, but they would not agree to take back all of the balance of the strikers that were still out since July, stating that it would not be fair to those who loyally served the company since then. So, it can be readily seen the company is hell bent on splitting the forces of the union as that would create the worst kind of dissension and destroy the organization and they know it.

We would not agree to any such settlement so the fight goes on, with all products of the Morrell Packing company unfair to our union.

With best wishes and kind regards, I remain

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By A. BUZZER

Mrs. Gellerman (sarcastically)—"I suppose you've been to see a sick friend—holding his hand all evening?"

Bill Gellerman (sadly)—"If I'd been holding his hand, I'd have made some money."

"Hey, what are you doing?" yelled G. W. Jenkins, business representative of the carpenters' union.

"I'm just sharpening my pencil," called back a bricklayer.

"Well, be quick about it, and don't let anybody see you," said Jenkins. "That's a carpenter's job, you know."

Sign in a library: "Only low talk permitted here."

A milk wagon had collided with an auto and many bottles of milk were broken. A crowd quickly gathered.

"Poor fellow," said a man, "you will have to pay for this, won't you?"

"Yes, sir," said Fred Silverthorn, the driver.

"That's too bad. I'll pass the hat for you," said the kind gentleman.

After the crowd had contributed generously and dispersed, Silverthorn said to a bystander:

"Ain't he the wise guy? That's the boss."

Walter O'Leary of the millmen's union has been named Cornelius Vanderbilt O'Leary, and rightly so.

A few days ago O'Leary asked the secretary in the Journal office to change a $20 bill. A $20 bill nowadays is very scarce. Is there any wonder for the new name?

Jack Reynolds, lathers' business representative, drove into the country a few days ago and left an order with a farmer for a dozen chickens to be delivered at his home. Next day the farmer made the delivery, and there being no one at home, the farmer turned the chickens loose on the front lawn.

Naturally they scattered all over the neighborhood and Jack had a hard time rounding them up. The next day Jack called on the farmer and said: "That was no way to deliver those dozen chickens I ordered. I had to chase them all over town and all I could find was eleven."

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CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL MINUTES

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ucts mentioned be purchased by labor or their friends.

Sheet metal workers reported that the Neon Display company of California has signed the union agreement and urged the co-operation of labor in seeing to it that all gas appliances are manufactured and installed by union men.

Mine, mill and smeltermen thanked the council for adopting resolution regarding safety violations at the Kennth tunnels.

Grocery clerks reported organization drive among independent grocery stores and asked the co-operation of the delegates in the campaign.

Carpenters called attention to the act of the industrial association in setting up a so-called impartial wage board the decisions of which will not be recognized by the carpenters, who have already an agreement entered into by and between the district council of carpenters and the union contractors.

Cannery workers called attention to their organizing campaign which is being waged to organize all cannery workers in this district. They thanked the council for its co-operation.

Culinary workers report that the president of their international union will address a mass meeting at Native Sons hall, 11th and Clay streets, Friday, May 15, at the hour of 2 p. m.

Bakery wagon drivers reported that the state supreme court has declared the local ordinance governing hours of delivery unconstitutional.

Street and Electric Employes' Division 818, reported an increase in wages has been secured for the membership from the local traction company.

Upholsters reported Valley Bedding and Mattress company of Fresno has locked out their union employes and that a strike against said plant is now in progress which is proving very effective.

Report of Secretary-Treasurer—

For the week ending May 11, 1936. Adopted. He also submitted his monthly report, which was also accepted by the council.

Adjournment—

There being no further business appearing the council then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. A. SPOONER, Sec.

Auto Mechanics Win

Automobile mechanics, members of the machinists' union, have won their strike at Advance Motors, Chicago. The settlement provides for a $5 a week increase, said D. M. Burrows, union business agent.

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Labor Council Asks Protection

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drilling notwithstanding that the wet drilling process could be installed at a very nominal cost, and that those officials of the United States bureau of reclamation, after having been officially advised of the danger, have insisted upon continuing to expose American citizen workmen to disease and death from rock dust which could easily and cheaply be eliminated above the health and lives of American citizen workmen; therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Central Labor Council of Alameda county, in regular session assembled this 11th day of May, 1936, that we hereby denounce the action of these federal officials who knowingly and deliberately, after being warned of the danger, continue to expose our fellow citizen workmen to disease and death in the same manner that they were exposed to disease and death in the Gauley bridge, West Virginia, tunnel; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be forwarded to President Franklin D. Roosevelt, to the presiding officers of the United States congress, and to California senators and congressmen, with the urgent request that they take such steps as will immediately bring about a termination of this condition which transgresses humanitarian principles and utterly disregards the safety laws of the state of California; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent to all Central Labor Councils in California and to the daily press.

Adopted by the Central Labor Council of Alameda county, May 11, 1936.

WM. A. SPOONER, Sec.

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